

## SY0-601 Dumps

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#### NEW QUESTION 1

A security analyst needs to make a recommendation for restricting access to certain segments of the network using only data-link layer security. Which of the following controls will the analyst MOST likely recommend?

- A. MAC
- B. ACL
- C. BPDU
- D. ARP

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 2

Which of the following describes the BEST approach for deploying application patches?

- A. Apply the patches to systems in a testing environment then to systems in a staging environment, and finally to production systems.
- B. Test the patches in a staging environment, develop against them in the development environment, and then apply them to the production systems
- C. Test the patches in a test environment apply them to the production systems and then apply them to a staging environment
- D. Apply the patches to the production systems apply them in a staging environment, and then test all of them in a testing environment

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 3

An organization that is located in a flood zone is MOST likely to document the concerns associated with the restoration of IT operation in a:

- A. business continuity plan
- B. communications plan.
- C. disaster recovery plan.
- D. continuity of operations plan

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 4

An organization is concerned that its hosted web servers are not running the most updated version of the software. Which of the following would work BEST to help identify potential vulnerabilities?

- A. `Hping3 -s comptia.org -p 80`
- B. `Nc -l -v comptia.org -p 80`
- C. `nmap comptia.org -p 80 -aV`
- D. `nslookup -port=80 comptia.org`

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 5

A security engineer needs to enhance MFA access to sensitive areas in a building. A key card and fingerprint scan are already in use. Which of the following would add another factor of authentication?

- A. Hard token
- B. Retina scan
- C. SMS text
- D. Keypad PIN

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 6

A commercial cyber-threat intelligence organization observes IoCs across a variety of unrelated customers. Prior to releasing specific threat intelligence to other paid subscribers, the organization is MOST likely obligated by contracts to:

- A. perform attribution to specific APTs and nation-state actors.
- B. anonymize any PII that is observed within the IoC data.
- C. add metadata to track the utilization of threat intelligence reports.
- D. assist companies with impact assessments based on the observed data.

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 7

Which of the following are the MOST likely vectors for the unauthorized inclusion of vulnerable code in a software company's final software releases? (Select TWO.)

- A. Unsecure protocols
- B. Use of penetration-testing utilities
- C. Weak passwords
- D. Included third-party libraries
- E. Vendors/supply chain
- F. Outdated anti-malware software

**Answer:** AD

**NEW QUESTION 8**

A financial organization has adopted a new secure, encrypted document-sharing application to help with its customer loan process. Some important PII needs to be shared across this new platform, but it is getting blocked by the DLP systems. Which of the following actions will BEST allow the PII to be shared with the secure application without compromising the organization's security posture?

- A. Configure the DLP policies to allow all PII
- B. Configure the firewall to allow all ports that are used by this application
- C. Configure the antivirus software to allow the application
- D. Configure the DLP policies to whitelist this application with the specific PII
- E. Configure the application to encrypt the PII

**Answer:** D

**NEW QUESTION 9**

After a ransomware attack a forensics company needs to review a cryptocurrency transaction between the victim and the attacker. Which of the following will the company MOST likely review to trace this transaction?

- A. The public ledger
- B. The NetFlow data
- C. A checksum
- D. The event log

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 10**

A network engineer is troubleshooting wireless network connectivity issues that were reported by users. The issues are occurring only in the section of the building that is closest to the parking lot. Users are intermittently experiencing slow speeds when accessing websites and are unable to connect to network drives. The issues appear to increase when laptop users return desks after using their devices in other areas of the building. There have also been reports of users being required to enter their credentials on web pages in order to gain access to them. Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of this issue?

- A. An external access point is engaging in an evil-twin attack.
- B. The signal on the WAP needs to be increased in that section of the building.
- C. The certificates have expired on the devices and need to be reinstalled.
- D. The users in that section of the building are on a VLAN that is being blocked by the firewall.

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 10**

A remote user recently took a two-week vacation abroad and brought along a corporate-owned laptop. Upon returning to work, the user has been unable to connect the laptop to the VPN. Which of the following is the MOST likely reason for the user's inability to connect the laptop to the VPN?

- A. Due to foreign travel, the user's laptop was isolated from the network.
- B. The user's laptop was quarantined because it missed the latest path update.
- C. The VPN client was blacklisted.
- D. The user's account was put on a legal hold.

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 15**

Several employees return to work the day after attending an industry trade show. That same day, the security manager notices several malware alerts coming from each of the employee's workstations. The security manager investigates but finds no signs of an attack on the perimeter firewall or the NIDS. Which of the following is MOST likely causing the malware alerts?

- A. A worm that has propagated itself across the intranet, which was initiated by presentation media
- B. A fileless virus that is contained on a vCard that is attempting to execute an attack
- C. A Trojan that has passed through and executed malicious code on the hosts
- D. A USB flash drive that is trying to run malicious code but is being blocked by the host firewall

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 19**

When used at the design stage, which of the following improves the efficiency, accuracy, and speed of a database?

- A. Tokenization
- B. Data masking
- C. Normalization
- D. Obfuscation

**Answer:** C

**NEW QUESTION 22**

A security analyst needs to determine how an attacker was able to use User3 to gain a foothold within a company's network. The company's lockout policy requires that an account be locked out for a minimum of 15 minutes after three unsuccessful attempts. While reviewing the log files, the analyst discovers the following:

```

3/16/20 3:31:10 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User1 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:11 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User1 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:12 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User1 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:13 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User1 Account locked out.
3/16/20 3:31:14 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User2 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:15 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User2 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:16 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User2 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:18 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User2 Account locked out.
3/16/20 3:31:19 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User3 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:20 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User3 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:22 AM Audit Success: CompanyNetwork\User3 Successful logon.
3/16/20 3:31:22 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User4 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:31:22 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User4 Unknown username or bad password.
3/16/20 3:32:40 AM Audit Failure: CompanyNetwork\User4 Successful logon.
3/16/20 3:33:25 AM Audit Success: CompanyNetwork\User4 Successful logon.

```

Which of the following attacks MOST likely occurred?

- A. Dictionary
- B. Credential-stuffing
- C. Password-spraying
- D. Brute-force

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 26**

A network technician is installing a guest wireless network at a coffee shop. When a customer purchases an item, the password for the wireless network is printed on the receipt so the customer can log in. Which of the following will the technician MOST likely configure to provide the highest level of security with the least amount of overhead?

- A. WPA-EAP
- B. WEP-TKIP
- C. WPA-PSK
- D. WPS-PIN

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 31**

A security analyst needs to be proactive in understanding the types of attacks that could potentially target the company's executives. Which of the following intelligence sources should the security analyst review?

- A. Vulnerability feeds
- B. Trusted automated exchange of indicator information
- C. Structured threat information expression
- D. Industry information-sharing and collaboration groups

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 32**

A company recently set up an e-commerce portal to sell its product online. The company wants to start accepting credit cards for payment, which requires compliance with a security standard. Which of the following standards must the company comply with before accepting credit cards on its e-commerce platform?

- A. PCI DSS
- B. ISO 22301
- C. ISO 27001
- D. NIST CSF

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 37**

Joe, a user at a company, clicked an email link that led to a website that infected his workstation. Joe was connected to the network, and the virus spread to the network shares. The protective measures failed to stop this virus, and it has continued to evade detection. Which of the following should the administrator implement to protect the environment from this malware?

- A. Install a definition-based antivirus.
- B. Implement an IDS/IPS
- C. Implement a heuristic behavior-detection solution.
- D. Implement CASB to protect the network shares.

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 42**

A network administrator would like to configure a site-to-site VPN utilizing IPsec. The administrator wants the tunnel to be established with data integrity, encryption, authentication, and anti-replay functions. Which of the following should the administrator use when configuring the VPN?

- A. AH

- B. EDR
- C. ESP
- D. DNSSEC

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 45**

A system administrator needs to implement an access control scheme that will allow an object's access policy be determined by its owner. Which of the following access control schemes BEST fits the requirements?

- A. Role-based access control
- B. Discretionary access control
- C. Mandatory access control
- D. Attribute-based access control

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 49**

To reduce costs and overhead, an organization wants to move from an on-premises email solution to a cloud-based email solution. At this time, no other services will be moving. Which of the following cloud models would BEST meet the needs of the organization?

- A. MaaS
- B. IaaS
- C. SaaS
- D. PaaS

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 51**

Which of the following is MOST likely to outline the roles and responsibilities of data controllers and data processors?

- A. SSAE SOC 2
- B. PCI DSS
- C. GDPR
- D. ISO 31000

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 52**

Which of the following organizational policies are MOST likely to detect fraud that is being conducted by existing employees? (Select TWO).

- A. Offboarding
- B. Mandatory vacation
- C. Job rotation
- D. Background checks
- E. Separation of duties
- F. Acceptable use

**Answer: BC**

**NEW QUESTION 57**

A security analyst needs to complete an assessment. The analyst is logged into a server and must use native tools to map services running on it to the server's listening ports. Which of the following tools can BEST accomplish this task?

- A. Netcat
- B. Netstat
- C. Nmap
- D. Nessus

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 58**

Which of the following is a team of people dedicated testing the effectiveness of organizational security programs by emulating the techniques of potential attackers?

- A. Red team
- B. White team
- C. Blue team
- D. Purple team

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 63**

A company uses wireless for all laptops and keeps a very detailed record of its assets, along with a comprehensive list of devices that are authorized to be on the wireless network. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) is concerned about a script kiddie potentially using an unauthorized device to brute force the wireless PSK

and obtain access to the internal network. Which of the following should the company implement to BEST prevent this from occurring?

- A. A BPDU guard
- B. WPA-EAP
- C. IP filtering
- D. A WIDS

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 64**

The following is an administrative control that would be MOST effective to reduce the occurrence of malware execution?

- A. Security awareness training
- B. Frequency of NIDS updates
- C. Change control procedures
- D. EDR reporting cycle

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 65**

A security manager for a retailer needs to reduce the scope of a project to comply with PCI DSS. The PCI data is located in different offices than where credit cards are accepted. All the offices are connected via MPLS back to the primary datacenter. Which of the following should the security manager implement to achieve the objective?

- A. Segmentation
- B. Containment
- C. Geofencing
- D. Isolation

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 69**

A security engineer needs to implement the following requirements:

- All Layer 2 switches should leverage Active Directory for authentication.
- All Layer 2 switches should use local fallback authentication if Active Directory is offline.
- All Layer 2 switches are not the same and are manufactured by several vendors.

Which of the following actions should the engineer take to meet these requirements? (Select TWO).

- A. Implement RADIUS.
- B. Configure AAA on the switch with local login as secondary.
- C. Configure port security on the switch with the secondary login method.
- D. Implement TACACS+.
- E. Enable the local firewall on the Active Directory server.
- F. Implement a DHCP server.

**Answer: AB**

**NEW QUESTION 71**

An organization's RPO for a critical system is two hours. The system is used Monday through Friday, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Currently, the organization performs a full backup every Saturday that takes four hours to complete. Which of the following additional backup implementations would be the BEST way for the analyst to meet the business requirements?

- A. Incremental backups Monday through Friday at 6:00 p.m and differential backups hourly
- B. Full backups Monday through Friday at 6:00 p.m and incremental backups hourly.
- C. incremental backups Monday through Friday at 6:00 p.m and full backups hourly.
- D. Full backups Monday through Friday at 6:00 p.m and differential backups hourly.

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 75**

A company wants to deploy PKI on its Internet-facing website. The applications that are currently deployed are:

- > www.company.com (main website)
- > contactus.company.com (for locating a nearby location)
- > quotes.company.com (for requesting a price quote)

The company wants to purchase one SSL certificate that will work for all the existing applications and any future applications that follow the same naming conventions, such as store.company.com. Which of the following certificate types would BEST meet the requirements?

- A. SAN
- B. Wildcard
- C. Extended validation
- D. Self-signed

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 80**

A security analyst is using a recently released security advisory to review historical logs, looking for the specific activity that was outlined in the advisory. Which of

the following is the analyst doing?

- A. A packet capture
- B. A user behavior analysis
- C. Threat hunting
- D. Credentialed vulnerability scanning

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 82**

Which of the following would be BEST to establish between organizations to define the responsibilities of each party outline the key deliverables and include monetary penalties for breaches to manage third-party risk?

- A. An ARO
- B. An MOU
- C. An SLA
- D. A BPA

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 84**

Which of the following algorithms has the SMALLEST key size?

- A. DES
- B. Twofish
- C. RSA
- D. AES

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 89**

A university with remote campuses, which all use different service providers, loses Internet connectivity across all locations. After a few minutes, Internet and VoIP services are restored, only to go offline again at random intervals, typically within four minutes of services being restored. Outages continue throughout the day, impacting all inbound and outbound connections and services. Services that are limited to the local LAN or WiFi network are not impacted, but all WAN and VoIP services are affected.

Later that day, the edge-router manufacturer releases a CVE outlining the ability of an attacker to exploit the SIP protocol handling on devices, leading to resource exhaustion and system reloads. Which of the following BEST describe this type of attack? (Choose two.)

- A. DoS
- B. SSL stripping
- C. Memory leak
- D. Race condition
- E. Shimming
- F. Refactoring

**Answer: AD**

**NEW QUESTION 91**

An employee has been charged with fraud and is suspected of using corporate assets. As authorities collect evidence, and to preserve the admissibility of the evidence, which of the following forensic techniques should be used?

- A. Order of volatility
- B. Data recovery
- C. Chain of custody
- D. Non-repudiation

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 94**

An organization with a low tolerance for user inconvenience wants to protect laptop hard drives against loss or data theft. Which of the following would be the MOST acceptable?

- A. SED
- B. HSM
- C. DLP
- D. TPM

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 95**

A security analyst is reviewing logs on a server and observes the following output:

```
01/01/2020 03:33:23 admin attempted login with password sneak
01/01/2020 03:33:32 admin attempted login with password sneaked
01/01/2020 03:33:41 admin attempted login with password sneaker
01/01/2020 03:33:50 admin attempted login with password sneer
01/01/2020 03:33:59 admin attempted login with password sneeze
01/01/2020 03:34:08 admin attempted login with password sneezy
```

Which of the following is the security analyst observing?

- A. A rainbow table attack
- B. A password-spraying attack
- C. A dictionary attack
- D. A keylogger attack

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 100

A well-known organization has been experiencing attacks from APIs. The organization is concerned that custom malware is being created and emailed into the company or installed on USB sticks that are dropped in parking lots. Which of the following is the BEST defense against this scenario?

- A. Configuring signature-based antivirus to update every 30 minutes
- B. Enforcing S/MIME for email and automatically encrypting USB drives upon insertion.
- C. Implementing application execution in a sandbox for unknown software.
- D. Fuzzing new files for vulnerabilities if they are not digitally signed

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 103

An organization's help desk is flooded with phone calls from users stating they can no longer access certain websites. The help desk escalates the issue to the security team, as these websites were accessible the previous day. The security analysts run the following command: `ipconfig /flushdns`, but the issue persists. Finally, an analyst changes the DNS server for an impacted machine, and the issue goes away. Which of the following attacks MOST likely occurred on the original DNS server?

- A. DNS cache poisoning
- B. Domain hijacking
- C. Distributed denial-of-service
- D. DNS tunneling

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 106

An organization has a growing workforce that is mostly driven by additions to the sales department. Each newly hired salesperson relies on a mobile device to conduct business. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) is wondering if the organization may need to scale down just as quickly as it scaled up. The CIO is also concerned about the organization's security and customer privacy. Which of the following would be BEST to address the CIO's concerns?

- A. Disallow new hires from using mobile devices for six months
- B. Select four devices for the sales department to use in a CYOD model
- C. Implement BYOD for the sales department while leveraging the MDM
- D. Deploy mobile devices using the COPE methodology

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 109

A public relations team will be taking a group of guests on a tour through the facility of a large e-commerce company. The day before the tour, the company sends out an email to employees to ensure all whiteboards are cleaned and all desks are cleared. The company is MOST likely trying to protect against.

- A. Loss of proprietary information
- B. Damage to the company's reputation
- C. Social engineering
- D. Credential exposure

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 112

A host was infected with malware. During the incident response, Joe, a user, reported that he did not receive any emails with links, but he had been browsing the Internet all day. Which of the following would MOST likely show where the malware originated?

- A. The DNS logs
- B. The web server logs
- C. The SIP traffic logs
- D. The SNMP logs

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 116

A company has limited storage available and online presence that cannot for more than four hours. Which of the following backup methodologies should the company implement to allow for the FASTEST database restore time In the event of a failure, which being mindful of the limited available storage space?

- A. Implement fulltape backup every Sunday at 8:00 p.m and perform nightly tape rotations.
- B. Implement different backups every Sunday at 8:00 and nightly incremental backups at 8:00 p.m
- C. Implement nightly full backups every Sunday at 8:00 p.m
- D. Implement full backups every Sunday at 8:00 p.m and nightly differential backups at 8:00

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 120**

Which of the following would MOST likely support the integrity of a voting machine?

- A. Asymmetric encryption
- B. Blockchain
- C. Transport Layer Security
- D. Perfect forward secrecy

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 123**

During an incident response, a security analyst observes the following log entry on the web server.

```
GET http://www.companysite.com/product_info.php?show=../../../../etc/passwd HTTP/1.1  
Host: www.companysite.com
```

Which of the following BEST describes the type of attack the analyst is experience?

- A. SQL injection
- B. Cross-site scripting
- C. Pass-the-hash
- D. Directory traversal

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 124**

A cybersecurity manager has scheduled biannual meetings with the IT team and department leaders to discuss how they would respond to hypothetical cyberattacks. During these meetings, the manager presents a scenario and injects additional information throughout the session to replicate what might occur in a dynamic cybersecurity event involving the company, its facilities, its data, and its staff. Which of the following describes what the manager is doing?

- A. Developing an incident response plan
- B. Building a disaster recovery plan
- C. Conducting a tabletop exercise
- D. Running a simulation exercise

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 125**

A security administrator suspects an employee has been emailing proprietary information to a competitor. Company policy requires the administrator to capture an exact copy of the employee's hard disk. Which of the following should the administrator use?

- A. dd
- B. chmod
- C. dnsenum
- D. logger

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 126**

A security analyst receives a SIEM alert that someone logged in to the appadmin test account, which is only used for the early detection of attacks. The security analyst then reviews the following application log:

```
...  
[03/06/20xx:17:20:18] system 127.0.0.1 FindXPath=//User[Username/text()='foo' or 7=7 or 'o'='o' And Password/text='bar']  
[03/06/20xx:17:21:18] appadmin 194.28.114.102 action:login result:success  
[03/06/20xx:17:22:18] appadmin 194.28.114.102 action:open.account(12345) result:fail  
[03/06/20xx:17:23:18] appadmin 194.28.114.102 action:open.account(23456) result:fail  
[03/06/20xx:17:23:18] appadmin 194.28.114.102 action:open.account(23456) result:fail  
[03/06/20xx:17:23:18] appadmin 194.28.114.102 action:open.account(45678) result:fail
```

Which of the following can the security analyst conclude?

- A. A replay attack is being conducted against the application.
- B. An injection attack is being conducted against a user authentication system.
- C. A service account password may have been changed, resulting in continuous failed logins within the application.
- D. A credentialed vulnerability scanner attack is testing several CVEs against the application.

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 127**

Which of the following policies would help an organization identify and mitigate potential single points of failure in the company's IT/security operations?

- A. Least privilege
- B. Awareness training
- C. Separation of duties
- D. Mandatory vacation

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 128**

Employees are having issues accessing the company's website. Some employees report very slow performance, while others cannot the website at all. The web and security administrators search the logs and find millions of half-open connections to port 443 on the web server. Further analysis reveals thousands of different source IPs initiating this traffic. Which of the following attacks is MOST likely occurring?

- A. DDoS
- B. Man-in-the-middle
- C. MAC flooding
- D. Domain hijacking

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 130**

A cybersecurity administrator needs to add disk redundancy for a critical server. The solution must have a two- drive failure for better fault tolerance. Which of the following RAID levels should the administrator select?

- A. 1
- B. 5
- C. 6

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 131**

Which of the following technical controls is BEST suited for the detection and prevention of buffer overflows on hosts?

- A. DLP
- B. HIDS
- C. EDR
- D. NIPS

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 132**

Local guidelines require that all information systems meet a minimum-security baseline to be compliant. Which of the following can security administrators use to assess their system configurations against the baseline?

- A. SOAR playbook
- B. Security control matrix
- C. Risk management framework
- D. Benchmarks

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 134**

In which of the following common use cases would steganography be employed?

- A. Obfuscation
- B. Integrity
- C. Non-repudiation
- D. Blockchain

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 138**

The SOC is reviewing process and procedures after a recent incident. The review indicates it took more than 30 minutes to determine that quarantining an infected host was the best course of action. The allowed the malware to spread to additional hosts before it was contained. Which of the following would be BEST to improve the incident response process?

- A. Updating the playbooks with better decision points
- B. Dividing the network into trusted and untrusted zones
- C. Providing additional end-user training on acceptable use
- D. Implementing manual quarantining of infected hosts

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 142**

A security analyst is reviewing information regarding recent vulnerabilities. Which of the following will the analyst MOST likely consult to validate which platforms have been affected?

- A. OSINT
- B. SIEM
- C. CVSS
- D. CVE

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 146**

Which of the following scenarios would make a DNS sinkhole effective in thwarting an attack?

- A. An attacker is sniffing traffic to port 53, and the server is managed using unencrypted usernames and passwords.
- B. An organization is experiencing excessive traffic on port 53 and suspects an attacker is trying to DoS the domain name server.
- C. Malware trying to resolve an unregistered domain name to determine if it is running in an isolated sandbox
- D. Routing tables have been compromised, and an attacker is rerouting traffic to malicious websites

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 148**

Which of the following allows for functional test data to be used in new systems for testing and training purposes to protect the read data?

- A. Data encryption
- B. Data masking
- C. Data deduplication
- D. Data minimization

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 150**

A manufacturer creates designs for very high security products that are required to be protected and controlled by the government regulations. These designs are not accessible by corporate networks or the Internet. Which of the following is the BEST solution to protect these designs?

- A. An air gap
- B. A Faraday cage
- C. A shielded cable
- D. A demilitarized zone

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 152**

An analyst visits an internet forum looking for information about a tool. The analyst finds a threat that appears to contain relevant information. One of the posts says the following:

```
Hello everyone,  
I am having the same problem with my server. Can you help me?  
  
<script type="text/javascript" src=http://website.com/user.js>  
onload=sqlexec();  
</script>  
  
Thank you,  
  
Joe
```

Which of the following BEST describes the attack that was attempted against the forum readers?

- A. SOU attack
- B. DLL attack
- C. XSS attack
- D. API attack

**Answer: C**

**NEW QUESTION 154**

Which of the following provides the BEST protection for sensitive information and data stored in cloud-based services but still allows for full functionality and searchability of data within the cloud-based services?

- A. Data encryption
- B. Data masking
- C. Anonymization
- D. Tokenization

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 155**

After reading a security bulletin, a network security manager is concerned that a malicious actor may have breached the network using the same software flaw. The exploit code is publicly available and has been reported as being used against other industries in the same vertical. Which of the following should the network security manager consult FIRST to determine a priority list for forensic review?

- A. The vulnerability scan output
- B. The IDS logs
- C. The full packet capture data
- D. The SIEM alerts

**Answer: A**

#### **NEW QUESTION 160**

A retail executive recently accepted a job with a major competitor. The following week, a security analyst reviews the security logs and identifies successful logon attempts to access the departed executive's accounts. Which of the following security practices would have addressed the issue?

- A. A non-disclosure agreement
- B. Least privilege
- C. An acceptable use policy
- D. Ofboarding

**Answer: D**

#### **NEW QUESTION 163**

An organization just experienced a major cyberattack modern. The attack was well coordinated sophisticated and highly skilled. Which of the following targeted the organization?

- A. Shadow IT
- B. An insider threat
- C. A hacktivist
- D. An advanced persistent threat

**Answer: D**

#### **NEW QUESTION 168**

While checking logs, a security engineer notices a number of end users suddenly downloading files with the .tar.gz extension. Closer examination of the files reveals they are PE32 files. The end users state they did not initiate any of the downloads. Further investigation reveals the end users all clicked on an external email containing an infected MHT file with an href link a week prior. Which of the following is MOST likely occurring?

- A. A RAT was installed and is transferring additional exploit tools.
- B. The workstations are beaconing to a command-and-control server.
- C. A logic bomb was executed and is responsible for the data transfers.
- D. A fireless virus is spreading in the local network environment.

**Answer: A**

#### **NEW QUESTION 173**

A security administrator needs to create a RAID configuration that is focused on high read speeds and fault tolerance. It is unlikely that multiple drives will fail simultaneously. Which of the following RAID configurations should the administration use?

- A. RAID 0
- B. RAID 1
- C. RAID 5
- D. RAID 10

**Answer: C**

#### **NEW QUESTION 176**

A database administrator needs to ensure all passwords are stored in a secure manner, so the administrator adds randomly generated data to each password before string. Which of the following techniques BEST explains this action?

- A. Predictability
- B. Key stretching
- C. Salting
- D. Hashing

**Answer: C**

#### **NEW QUESTION 177**

A user recently attended an exposition and received some digital promotional materials. The user later noticed blue boxes popping up and disappearing on the computer, and reported receiving several spam emails, which the user did not open. Which of the following is MOST likely the cause of the reported issue?

- A. There was a drive-by download of malware
- B. The user installed a cryptominer
- C. The OS was corrupted
- D. There was malicious code on the USB drive

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 181**

A security analyst discovers that a company username and password database was posted on an internet forum. The username and passwords are stored in plain text. Which of the following would mitigate the damage done by this type of data exfiltration in the future?

- A. Create DLP controls that prevent documents from leaving the network
- B. Implement salting and hashing
- C. Configure the web content filter to block access to the forum.
- D. Increase password complexity requirements

**Answer: A**

**NEW QUESTION 186**

A company has drafted an insider-threat policy that prohibits the use of external storage devices. Which of the following would BEST protect the company from data exfiltration via removable media?

- A. Monitoring large data transfer transactions in the firewall logs
- B. Developing mandatory training to educate employees about the removable media policy
- C. Implementing a group policy to block user access to system files
- D. Blocking removable-media devices and write capabilities using a host-based security tool

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 189**

A security engineer needs to implement an MDM solution that complies with the corporate mobile device policy. The policy states that in order for mobile users to access corporate resources on their devices the following requirements must be met:

- Mobile device OSs must be patched up to the latest release
- A screen lock must be enabled (passcode or biometric)
- Corporate data must be removed if the device is reported lost or stolen

Which of the following controls should the security engineer configure? (Select TWO)

- A. Containerization
- B. Storage segmentation
- C. Posturing
- D. Remote wipe
- E. Full-device encryption
- F. Geofencing

**Answer: DE**

**NEW QUESTION 192**

A technician needs to prevent data loss in a laboratory. The laboratory is not connected to any external networks. Which of the following methods would BEST prevent the exfiltration of data? (Select TWO).

- A. VPN
- B. Drive encryption
- C. Network firewall
- D. File level encryption
- E. USB blocker
- F. MFA

**Answer: BE**

**NEW QUESTION 194**

A smart switch has the ability to monitor electrical levels and shut off power to a building in the event of power surge or other fault situation. The switch was installed on a wired network in a hospital and is monitored by the facilities department via a cloud application. The security administrator isolated the switch on a separate VLAN and set up a patch routine. Which of the following steps should also be taken to harden the smart switch?

- A. Set up an air gap for the switch.
- B. Change the default password for the switch.
- C. Place the switch in a Faraday cage.
- D. Install a cable lock on the switch

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 196**

An end user reports a computer has been acting slower than normal for a few weeks. During an investigation, an analyst determines the system is sending the user's email address and a ten-digit number to an IP address once a day. The only recent log entry regarding the user's computer is the following:

```
Time: 06:32:29 UTC
Event Description: This file meets the ML algorithm's medium-confidence threshold.
Process Blocked: False
File Quarantined: False
Operating System: Windows 10
File Name: \Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\jdoe\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\IE\pdftodocx.msi
Connection Details: 35.242.219.204:80
```

Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of the issue?

- A. The end user purchased and installed a PUP from a web browser
- B. A bot on the computer is brute forcing passwords against a website
- C. A hacker is attempting to exfiltrate sensitive data
- D. Ransomware is communicating with a command-and-control server.

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 201**

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